RECOMMENDED METHOD FOR CONDUCTING THE TRIAL COURT EMPLOYEE ADVISORY VOTE AND PUBLIC ENTITY POLL

Advisory Vote

- I. Employees who meet the task force's definition of trial court employee will be eligible to participate in the trial court employee advisory vote.
- II. The employment status options as defined by the task force will be the status options used in the trial court employee advisory vote.
- III. Employees will be provided with educational materials that will provide explanations of the employment status options. These educational materials will first have been reviewed by the task force.
- IV. A neutral entity, such as the State Mediation and Conciliation Service, will administer the trial court employee advisory vote and tabulate the results.

Public Entity Poll

- I. Individual counties and trial courts will be eligible to participate in the public entity poll. The poll will be submitted to the court administrator and the county administrative officer.
- II. The employment status options as defined by the task force in its final report will be the status options used in the public entity poll.
- III. Counties and trial courts will be provided with educational materials that will provide explanations of the employment status options. These educational materials will first have been reviewed by the task force.
- IV. The public entity poll will obtain information about the positions of the trial courts and counties with respect to the employment status of trial court employees. Each public entity's response will identify the public entity and be publicly available.
- V. A neutral entity, such as the State Mediation and Conciliation Service, will administer the public entity poll and tabulate the results.